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Young Baptists Stage New Kind Of Strike



Above is a reproduction of a picture that appeared in the Kansas City Times on a recent Monday morning. The young "pickets" were, left to right, Jerry Eastman, 23, and Harold Jackson, 21, members of the Calvary Baptist Church in Kansas City, Mo. Dr. D. M. Nelson, Jr., a native Mississippian, and son of Dr. and Mrs. D. M. Nelson at Clinton, is the pastor.

The new kind of "strike" is the outgrowth of a strong movement within the ranks of the youth of this dynamic church. They declared themselves to be "twicers" and not "oncercs" on the Lord's Day, by attending night services as well as morning worship. This effort gained momentum and attendance at the Young People's Departments in Sunday School and Training Union has practically doubled. The young people believe in their pastor, and he, in turn, believes no church has a more spiritual youth group.

The "pickets" attracted much attention from passers-by, whose frowns changed to smiles when they realized the import of the messages on the signs the young men carried as they walked back and forth in front of the church.

—BR—

Eternal Standards For Right Living Is Aim Of S.S. Lessons

By Clifton J. Allen

There are raging floods of evil threatening to submerge the life-stream of today's world. We can build secure levees around our children, youth, and adults by teaching them the eternal standards of right living.

We have a remarkable opportunity to do just this through the Sunday School lessons for this quarter. We are to study selected passages from Job, Proverbs, and Ecclesiastes. These lessons deal with the practical problems of everyday living—suffering, integrity, purity in sex life, obedience

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Southern Baptist Pastors Occupy New York City Pulpit

Three Southern Baptist pastors will occupy the pulpit at the Wadsworth Avenue Baptist Church in New York City this summer. During the vacation of the pastor, Rev. Arthur House Stainback, formerly of Georgetown, Kentucky, the following pastors will preach as vacation supplies:

Aug. 3—Dr. Wyeth Willard, author of "The Leathernecks Come Through" and popular evangelist.

Aug. 10—Dr. Vaughn M. Johnson, Pastor, Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, Saint Petersburg, Florida.

Aug. 17 and 24—Professor George Redding, Ph. D., of the Georgetown Baptist College in Georgetown, Kentucky.

Aug. 31—Dr. Paul S. James, Pastor, Baptist Tabernacle, Atlanta, Georgia.

A cordial invitation is extended all who vacation in New York this summer. The Wadsworth Avenue Baptist Church is the only New York City church using all Southern Baptist literature. The church is convenient to all lines of transportation and is located in upper Manhattan at Wadsworth Avenue and West 184th Street, just one block east of Broadway. The church office will gladly supply helpful information to anyone expecting to visit the city.

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Japan's Christian Premier Breaks With Tradition

TOKYO—(RNS)—probably for the first time in Japanese history, a top flight government official has started his public duties without first paying a visit to the Grand Shrine of the Sun Goddess at Ise to report

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DR. GOODRICH GIVES HIS IMPRESSIONS OF EUROPE

First Of Series Of Articles

PARIS NEEDS GOD

By A. L. Goodrich

Editor's Note: Due to the generosity of many Baptists and Baptist churches within and without Mississippi, I am on a six-week's tour of Europe including the Baptist World Alliance. This is the first of a series of articles recording some impressions and a few incidents along the way. While I hope the journey is a pleasant one my first aim is religious. I am not interested in the pleasures of travel except as it broadens my views and enlarges my store of information with the desire that it will prepare me for better service as editor of the Baptist Record.

No Discomforts Aboard Ship

The five days voyage aboard the Queen Elizabeth, world's largest passenger liner, was just one pleasant surprise after another.

Being so large and encountering no rough weather very few were seasick. But those who were felt as the late Dr. J. S. Farmer once expressed it:

"My dinner lies over the ocean, My breakfast lies under the sea, My stomach is all in commotion, Don't talk about sailing to me."

Most of the time I was not aware that we were on board a ship. It was almost as smooth as sitting at home reading the Baptist Record.

Tea is served before breakfast in bed, a varied breakfast menu begins the day. Sandwiches and consommé come at ten, lunch at one, tea and cake at four, dinner with a choice of several meats at seven, and tea, coffee and sandwiches at any time.

We Visit France

After five days I arrived at Southampton, England and a few hours later sailed on a smaller steamer for Havre, France. The sea was rough and the boat crowded. About half the passengers were very, very seasick. But not me.

Following an all night voyage I saw France, after taking two hours to get through the customs (waiting in

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Church World Service Sends First Relief To Okinawa

NEW YORK (RNS) — Church World Service, interdenominational welfare agency, announced here it has consigned a shipment of 35,000 lbs. of food and other goods to Okinawa. The agency said it was the first relief group to send supplies there.

Expected to arrive in Okinawa in the latter part of July, the goods will be distributed by the Rev. Everett Thompson, CWS director, who is serving the 25 Protestant congregations on the island. The shipment includes 7,500 pounds of food, 31 bales of bedding, and nearly 250 bales of clothing.

Okinawa is the thirtieth country to which American churches are sending aid through Church World Service.

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The Washington Review

BY LARSTON D. FARRAR

Religious News Service Correspondent

RELIGIOUS LEADERS HAIL U. S. MEMBERSHIP IN IRO

WASHINGTON, D. C.—President Truman has signed a bill which takes the United States Government into another new international group—the International Refugee Organization, for which religious lobbyists here have worked ceaselessly since last January.

Mr. Truman, who said he was "happy to accept membership" in the IRO on behalf of this nation, could not have been half as pleased as E. Raymond Wilson, chief representative here of the Friends Committee on National Legislation (Quakers) and Dr. Joseph M. Dawson, executive secretary of the Baptist Joint Conference Committee on Public Relations, to name only two of the many religious leaders

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Associational Schedule Released

The Associational season is drawing near. This is an important period in our denominational life. Decisions will be made by you who represent your church that will influence the cause of Christ throughout the state. The schedule for the meeting of Associations which follows is for your information and convenience. May we suggest that you save this issue of the Record, or clip this article for future reference during the associational season.—Editor.

1947 ASSOCIATIONAL MEETINGS

Date	Association	Meeting Place
August 27	De Soto Association	Trinity Baptist Church
September 2	Grenada Association	Holcomb Baptist Church
September 4	Alcorn Association	Love Joy Baptist Church
September 9	Benton Association	Flat Rock Baptist Church
September 9	Lafayette Association	Yellow Leaf Baptist Church
September 10	Monroe Association	Becker Church
September 10	Tippah Association	Concord Baptist Church
September 11	Lee Association	Plantersville Baptist Church

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ASSOCIATIONAL SCHEDULE RELEASED

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September 11	Marshall Association	Holly Springs Baptist Church
September 11	Yalobusha Association	Tillatoba Baptist Church
September 17 and 18	Calhoun Association	Calhoun City, First Church
September 19	Panola Association	Curtis Baptist Church
September 23 and 24	Jasper Association	Stringer Baptist Church
September 25	Carroll Association	Hickory Grove Church
September 24 and 25	Zion Association	Monta Vista Church
September 30	Madison Association	Canton, First Baptist Church
October 2	Oktibbeha County Ass'n	Adaton Church
October 3	Kemper Association	Scooba Church
October 3	Perry Association	Good Hope Baptist Church
October 3	Tallahatchie Association	Phillip Baptist Church
October 7	Choctaw Association	Beulah Baptist Church
October 7	Clay Association	West Point, First Baptist Church
October 7	Jackson Association	East Side Baptist Church
October 7	Lawrence Association	Old Silver Creek Baptist Church
October 7	Prentiss Association	Piney Grove Baptist Church
October 7 and 8	Tishomingo Association	Golden Central Church
October 8	Rankin Association	Barefoot Springs Church
October 8 and 9	Holmes Association	Antioch Baptist Church
October 8 and 9	Neshoba Association	Pearl Valley Church
October 9	Pearl River Ass'n	Juniper Grove Church
October 9	Covington Association	Leaf River Church
October 9	Tate Association	Tyro Baptist Church
October 9	Winston Association	Gum Branch Baptist Church
October 9 and 10	George Association	Lucedale Baptist Church
October 9 and 10	Itawamba Association	Pleasant Ridge Church
October 9 and 10	Leake Association	Sun Rise Baptist Church
October 9 and 10	Leflore Association	Itta Bena Church
October 9 and 10	Mississippi Association	East Fork Baptist Church
October 10	Clarke Association	Stonewall Baptist Church
October 10	Sunflower Association	Moorhead Baptist Church
October 13 and 14	Deer Creek Association	Belzoni Baptist Church
October 14	Bolivar Association	Interstate Church, Boyle
October 14	Lebanon Association	Brooklyn Baptist Church
October 14	Newton Association	Pinckney Church, Union
October 14 and 15	Walshall Association	Union Baptist Church
October 15	Smith Association	Shady Grove Baptist Church
October 16	Attala Association	Kosciusko, Second Church
October 16	Hinds-Warren Ass'n	Jackson, Southside Church
October 16	Lauderdale Association	Meridian, Highland Church
October 16	Marion Association	Foxworth Baptist Church
October 16	Pontotoc Association	Algoma Baptist Church
October 16	Riverside Association	Jonestown Baptist Church
October 16	Scott Association	Jerusalem Church, Ludlow
October 16	Union Association	Fayette Baptist Church
October 16 and 17	Jeff Davis Association	Oak Grove Baptist Church
October 16 and 17	Lincoln Association	Mt. Zion Baptist Church
October 16 and 17	Pike Association	Fernwood Church
October 16 and 17	Union County Ass'n	Pleasant Ridge, Oct. 16
October 17	Adams-Franklin Ass'n	Martin Church, Oct. 17
October 17, 18, 19	New Choctaw Ass'n	Lucien Baptist Church
October 19 and 20	Chickasaw Association	Mt. Zion Baptist Church
October 20 (night), 21	Jones Association	Houlka Baptist Church, Oct. 19
October 21	Montgomery Association	Arbor Grove Church, Oct. 20
October 21	Simpson Association	Sharon Baptist Church
October 21 and 22	Gulf Coast Association	Bethlehem Baptist Church
October 21 (night), 22	Columbus Association	Dry Creek Baptist Church
October 23	Copiah Association	Long Beach Baptist Church
October 23	Greene Association	Columbus, East End
October 23	Noxubee Association	Sardis Baptist Church
October 23	Yazoo Association	Pleasant Hill Church
October 24	Wayne Association	Ruhama Baptist Church
	Liberty Association	Benton Baptist Church
		Clara Baptist Church
		(No Report)

Dr. Goodrich Gives His Impressions of Europe

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(line), I was soon aboard a train for Paris. But the train carried no diner (wagon restaurant) and we did not have time for breakfast in Havre. So, we experienced for a few hours a little of what for many in Europe has become a habit—hunger. They take your ticket when you get off the train.

Inflation Evident

Paris is about as it has been described. Inflation is rampant. Pre-war francs were worth about twenty cents. I paid less than one-half cent for them. But I also paid 150 francs for breakfast, eggs and 200 francs for a short taxi ride. Prices are sky high and if Paris is a fair sample, God help France. Most of the people with whom we dealt tried in one way or another to cheat us. The hotel clerk did so before I had been in Paris two hours. The ticket seller at the Louvre did likewise.

From Havre to Paris we noticed

that most people had every available space planted in vegetables.

So far, I have passed through custom houses in four countries and not once have I been asked to open my bags, though this is the rule rather than the exception. Could it be that the inspectors feel that a Mississippi Baptist preacher probably wouldn't have enough extra money with which to buy goods subject to duty.

So far as I could see, Paris is similar to other cities of like size. They have many customs that are strange to me, but they seem to approve of them. Food is high and bread is rationed and the rationed bread may have calories, but no appeal. I entered France hungry and left the same way, not starving, but always feeling that one more helping would be welcome.

Gather Food From Garbage

The most pitiful sight I saw was a woman about 70. Her face was pallid, her hair streaked with grey, her clothes neat, but cheap. The hotel garbage cans had just been put out early one morning. The old wo-

Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary
MRS. P. C. FRENCH, Office Secretary

Parkway and New Albany Lead
From Nashville reports, Parkway Church, Jackson, is sixth among all the churches of the South in the total number of Sunday school training awards for this Sunday school year.

New Albany First is eleventh in the same report.

Our hearty congratulations to pastors Price and Davis, superintendents Beard and Graham, and training superintendents Miss Madison and Sather.

This is indeed a very excellent record for these two fine churches, and especially so when we remember that there are about 26,000 Southern Baptist churches.

Surprised Parents

"Our commencement program was well attended and the parents were surprised that the children could learn so much in one week," says the principal of one of our rural Vacation Bible schools.

Yes, it is really surprising how much can be learned in the one week of such a school. This was the first one in that church, and now they want one every year. That's the way it usually turns out.

Pleased With the Nursery

Mrs. H. L. Kelly, Hattiesburg First, says concerning their VBS: "This is the first year we have had a Nursery, but we are sure we shall continue it each year since it was so successful." She also adds, "Our commencement was the best in years and was well attended."

We are glad that so many good things are coming out of the Vacation schools. They are not only bigger this year than usual, but also better.

Ridgecrest Faculty in Jackson

The Ridgecrest faculty for Sunday school work will be in Jackson the week of August 25-29 for the statewide Sunday school clinic.

This is an opportunity to get the

South's finest right at home. Why go 700 miles to Ridgecrest when this is coming to us?

This is the complete faculty for that clinic: Cradle Roll, Miss Willie Merle O'Neill; Nursery, Mrs. H. R. Jones; Beginner, Miss Pauline Hargis; Primary, Miss Allene Bryan; Junior, Mrs. Lillian Moore Rice; Intermediate, Miss Mary Virginia Lee; Young People, Miss Josephine Pile; Adult, Mr. H. L. King; Extension, Mrs. Will S. McCraw; General, Mr. J. N. Barnette, all of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

Then, in addition, for Wednesday, August 27 only, Mr. W. A. Harrell, secretary of the Department of Architecture, will be with us.

Can you beat this for a faculty? Well, hardly.

100 Guests Free

For that clinic, we are caring for 100 out-of-town guests with no cost to them except transportation and registration fee of \$2.00.

If you should like to be one of those 100, write us at once and we shall send you a regular application form to fill out and return.

It's an unusual opportunity; let's make the most of it. The emphasis will be Sunday school Administration, with each department getting the special things pertaining to the work of that age group.

The Small Church Challenge

The challenge of the small church is plainly seen in the fact that of the 26,401 Southern Baptist churches, two-thirds of them have a membership of 200 or less. Therefore, unless we cultivate and reach the people in the small communities, we are inviting disaster in a big way.

The small churches have through the years been the feeders of the larger ones in supplying many of their greatest leaders.

man fished among the garbage getting what food scraps she could and then took the empty evaporated milk cans and poured water from a bottle which she brought with her into the cans. This mixture of water and the few drops of milk which remained in each can was poured into a larger can. We last saw her trudging away happy over a few morsels of food and a few spoonfuls of milk—such as it was.

Some Notes

As the Queen Elizabeth was loading at New York we noted many relatives shedding tears over someone who was going abroad. If we should be as anxious about a safe voyage toward heaven, this would be a better world. Some were sent to one deck, others to another deck. So shall it be at the day of judgment. "And these shall go away into everlasting punishment; but the righteous into life eternal."

I saw very few new automobiles in England and France, but bicycles by the thousand. And in one city I counted 86 bikes in a bicycle parking lot.

I had heard about the destruction of war. At Southampton and Havre I saw plenty of it—entire blocks destroyed.

So far, I have seen no tall build-

ings. I understand they are prohibited by law. In Southampton the tallest thing I saw was a church steeple.

Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, who is conducting our party, tried to arrange for a service aboard the Queen Elizabeth on Sunday at eleven o'clock. He was informed that no service except the church of England service conducted by the ship's captain was permitted. I attended that service. The only thing that is colder is a refrigerator. A few lifeless hymns and lifeless prayers and one or two scripture passages read in unison and the service closed. We understand that the orchestra that played for the service is the same one that played for the dances nightly.

Perry Webb Preaches To Baptists

At five o'clock Sunday afternoon the Baptists aboard had a good, old time gospel service. Dr. Perry F. Webb, pastor of the First Church, San Antonio, Texas, was the preacher.

On Sunday aboard the Queen Elizabeth they did close down the gambling games, but liquor was sold as usual.

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The revival at Slayden will begin August 3 with Dr. Bracey Campbell of Marks doing the preaching—Boyd Watkins.

Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." 1 Cor. 13:8

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"Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." Jesus in Matthew 7:12.

I

The following letter went to family members the day of the funeral:
"Dear Friend:

To be fine in one thing is to win well deserved praise! To be great as pastor, preacher, teacher, minister, editor, author, father, husband, etc., is to earn rich reward and is to render sublime service. Dr. Lipsey stood out in these and other spheres.

You have much for which to be happy in memory, love, fellowship, etc. Please be assured that we remember you sympathetically and prayerfully in your loss. Psalm 23: John 14.

We said at Calvary prayer meeting that night, 'that must have been a great homecoming in Heaven this afternoon as Dr. Lipsey went home.'

We remember many fine things about him. One of the most helpful was during our first year in this work when he came to us in bad health speaking of resigning. We asked him to stay a little longer until we 'got our feet on the ground' in the work. This he did! It was just like him!

If ever we may help, call on us.

Blessings upon you.

Yours in Service,
D. A. McCALL"

II

We congratulate Miss Draughon on the fine editions of the Baptist Record she is getting out in the absence of the editor. Dr. Goodrich gives us a good paper and Miss Draughon and her helpers are keeping it up to the high standard set by him.

Those who are a little sensitive, and we are sure sometimes oversensitive, in thinking they are told what to do in reading excerpts of Convention Board proceedings on this page recently will find that pastors made every motion and second with one possible exception and he is a retired pastor. People standing by when a man is drowning are not inclined to quibble over technicalities. We are sure if we had more religion occasioned by a greater appreciation of Christ, the horrors of hell, and the condition of lost men, we would not quibble so much in petting our own selfishness. Jesus said, "He that will save his life shall lose it and he that will lose his life for my sake shall find it." It is easy for us to want to save the dignity and honor of our position rather than by all means win people to Christ.

We are having a splendid response in Co-operative Program promotion right now. We are hearing from Board members, pastors, and laymen that nonparticipating churches are being visited, Executive Committee meetings within the association are being held, and again and again the glad testimony is given that "the churches of our association will be 100% in this matter." Doxology!

For several years our Mississippi Convention, conferences, and Convention Boards have been making occasional use of the lovely First Baptist Church building, Jackson. Now, and for several months, we have been delighted to render a return favor to this great church by allowing a fine ladies class to use the Prayer Assembly room of the Baptist Building. Mrs. W. Douglas Hudgins, wife of the pastor, is the very fine teacher.

III

MORE TITHING TESTIMONIES

"I was born again 72 years ago. For several years I have faithfully tithed all my income. I never did anything that I got more real satisfaction out of than tithing. Try it!"

J. L. WILLIAMS

"I believe in tithing because I believe that is the way God intended his people to finance his Kingdom work.

"I tithe because I want to obey God and because I want to have a part in his great Kingdom work.

"I feel like in being obedient to His command it gives me peace and joy within, and that God has wonderfully blessed me."

MRS. BLANCHE RAMSAY.

"I began tithing as a school teacher in a rural south Mississippi school, on a salary of \$55.00 per month. The \$49.50 was sufficient, with God's blessings, for all needs including driving a broken down car ten miles each day.

"There are not many things that I can do just exactly as Christ would have me in my life, but Tithing and Scriptural Baptism give me the joy of two things in life done exactly as he would have me out of a heart of love. The joy of complete obedience is one of life's greatest."

REV. HOWARD H. AULTMAN

(If you have had a real tithing experience, we will be happy to give it to Mississippi Baptists in a 25 or 50 word written statement.)

IV

Rev. Wayne Allison, pastor from Rankin County, has just left the office. He is always a refreshing visitor. He is doing some of the best work of his life as pastor of churches. Rankin County and other churches should keep him busy. Indeed, he is doing double duty now.

We were happy to be with Pastor A. L. Ott, East Side Baptist Church, Pascagoula, for service on Wednesday night. A good congregation was present. Brother Ott and his people are doing a very fine work there. We are happy to have him in our Mississippi work.

Sunday we spoke to two tremendous congregations at Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson. Two additions by letter. We have preached over 1000 times in Jackson and enjoyed every bit of it. We never enjoyed more being at Calvary than this Sunday. The congregation was very responsive. Dr. Claud Bowen, the very fine pastor, is in Europe.

Wednesday night we were at Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, for prayer meeting. Remembering how folks have greatly helped us in our work when we have been traveling, it has been a peculiar privilege for us to help

out some along this line.

The folks really pressed in to the prayer service. Available seats were taken, chairs were brought in, people were standing in the aisles, and grouping in the doorway on a hot July Wednesday night.

Before the service we were in the home of the Percy Greers for the evening meal. For years they have been among our finest friends. They were next door neighbors for awhile. They are the preacher's friend. We saw them develop in the work of Christ and in church leadership. We need more like them.

V

Our next Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference will be held at Vicksburg, Mississippi, February 24-27, 1948. Dr. Perry Webb will be a featured out of state speaker.

Effective immediately the Business Management of the Baptist Record is practically eliminating all commercial advertising. We appreciate our advertisers in months passed and wished them well. Present contract schedules will be completed within the next few months.

VI

Abraham was a pioneer, "he went out not knowing whither he went," Hebrews 11:8. He ventured by faith in God into new territory for God.

We like to do new things for Christ! We like to see things done for Him that have never been done before!

Mississippi Baptists have never given \$1,000,000 through the Co-operative Program within one year for all the work of Christ! Let us do that thing this year! For Him!

Mississippi Baptist churches have never made it 100% in all churches contributing through the Co-operative Program within one year. We have 1556 Mississippi Baptist churches! Let us make it 1556 churches contributing through the Co-operative Program!

Does Christ want it? Is it the will of God? Will it help His work? Would it take the Gospel to the lost? Will it mean the difference between Heaven and Hell for thousands of people around the world?

You may help! The W.M.U. may help! The Sunday School may help! The B.T.U. may help! The Brotherhood may help!

How? Do something yourself! Pray! Plan! Boost! Give! Lead others! Your church! Your association! Your loved ones! Your friends!

VII

How may gifts through the Co-operative Program be increased.

First, by accepting God's plan of tithes and offerings for all His work. Mississippi Baptists gave about 3% last year! Think what it would have meant in the work of Christ had we brought 3 1-3 times that much, or the full 10%! Then, many would and could have brought offerings in addition! God knows what He needs, what we need, and what His work needs! He has plainly told us!

Second, see that a fair part flows through the Co-operative Program for the various causes of Christ! Many churches can greatly increase the budget percentage to Co-operative Program causes. We doubt not but that every church could increase it a little bit!

Third, we had 400 churches that gave not one penny through the Co-operative Program for all 1946! That is to their shame! No church of Jesus is so poor that it could not give dimes and dollars for His work through this channel. Three fourths of our Mississippi Baptist churches gave through the Co-operative Program last year! Why could not, why did not, why would not the other one fourth do so?

We think the record of the nearly 1200 Co-operative Program giving churches in 1946 simply splendid! In 1939 only 855 gave through this channel. This is a splendid growth! Why are 400 churches left out? Why have 400 churches balked? The pastor, the deacons, the Sunday school superintendent alone could have brought the church into the picture!

A Word For the Youth Revival

The Youth Revival at Ripley, did more for the young people of the church than anything that has happened here in a long time. There were additions by letter and on profession of faith; there were re-consecrations to the work of the church and to Christian living; there were church members reclaimed for greater and better service to the Kingdom of the Lord; and the entire church was strengthened through the preaching services.

Rev. William Ferrell of Greenville, a second year student at Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, led the revival and did the preaching. He did a splendid job of it, too. Miss Willie Mae Cutrer of Magnolia and M. S. C. W. led in the noon-day prayer meetings, personal conferences with girls, and in the forum discussing vital problems in Christian living. Miss Betty Kea of Ludlow led the singing, and helped in the forums and prayer meetings. It was a great team, and the Lord

blessed us through their consecrated service.

The pastor commends this work to other churches that they might enjoy the same spiritual uplift and inspiration. It is the best way we know to combat "juvenile delinquency": bring the young people to Christ! He can enable them to be Christian in attitude and conduct. He alone can! Only He can help them.

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Kyzar Preaches at Ripley

Ripley just closed the revival season with Rev. Jewell Kyzar of Greenwood doing the preaching. The church was greatly helped by his searching Gospel messages. Six were baptized at the close of the service and eight came by letter. The revival was a fitting climax to the Vacation Bible School and the Youth Revival which preceded it. It was Brother Kyzar's second trip to Ripley, and the people rejoiced in his coming and were inspired by his preaching.

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Now, Who's Right?

Some time ago there appeared in the editorial columns of the Baptist Record comments on a letter which declared, "Youth Will Answer." It dealt with the belief that Christian young people will answer the call to fill all the places needed in the hard spots of the world in missions—if they are given the chance.

A reader wrote in and wondered if this would be true. We believed it would be. We still believe it! Far be it from the writer to say, "I told you so." But below we print a statement which we had also heard orally from Dr. Bill Marshall, the personnel man of the Foreign Mission Board, to the effect that there are more who are ready to go than there is money to support. This was clipped from a current issue:

The Foreign Mission Board will have to decline 25 volunteers who could be appointed in 1947. Unless the income is increased, Dr. M. T. Rankin estimates that 50 additional volunteers will have to be rejected in 1948.

NOW, WHO'S RIGHT?

Christian young people never disappoint the great expectations we place in them!

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Here Is Your Chance

As you look at the title, perhaps you think this means someone else, but you, dear reader, are the one intended. Oh, but you may say, "I am not a teacher," "I am not a pastor," "I am not a college graduate," "I am not a parent," "I am not important." But HERE IS YOUR CHANCE. Your chance for what? A chance to find through the Scripture in the uniform lessons for Sunday School eternal standards for righteous living.

Through the months of this quarter the books of Job, Proverbs and Ecclesiastes will be studied. If you think the Bible is not a living Book, and that it has no mes-

sage for our day, bring out from hiding, and turn the pages to the suggested Scriptures. As you read pray the Holy Spirit to help you discern ETERNAL TRUTHS FOR YOUR EVERYDAY LIFE.

If you begin, upon reading this, you will want to review the lessons on Job. If you think you are having a hard time refresh your memory of what happened to Job. If Job is not too familiar to you, then we suggest a treat is in store for you if you read much of the book aloud; or if silently, then read slowly enough for the significance of each verse to impress you. When you study Proverbs try to "learn some by heart."

In the lessons this quarter you will note similarities between portions of the New Testament and the Old. The Sermon on the Mount and the epistle of James will have fuller meaning as related to these books of the Old Testament. The writer of Ecclesiastes gives us worthy objectives and tells us how to test our purposes in life.

You will find your Christian faith stronger if you set yourself the task of studying especially these three books from the Book of Books. Study them at home, in family groups, and in the Sunday School class. Discuss them with neighbor and friend. The Uniform Lessons will be studied by groups of all denominations of young and adult department ages. HERE IS YOUR CHANCE.—E. D.

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In That Very Hour— A Testimony

Many of us think we often "wait upon the Lord" (Ps. 27:14), and in the Scriptures we are told also that the Lord waits upon us (Isa. 30:18). But how often do we realize that God's will may be known in the very hour of our need?

When Jesus sent out the twelve apostles "like sheep among wolves" he said, "Do not be anxious . . . for it will be given you in that very hour what to say" (Matt. 10:19—Montgomery translation). Not a long time before the need for an answer to a problem, but in our very hour of need. Just a few years ago that verse became very real to us. However much we may seek God's will, it is probably true that most of us are more conscious of doing or not doing His will in times of crises or in making important decisions.

This was such an occasion. The party to whom an answer was to go was "rushing" us for a reply. The answer was delayed long enough to spend a number of hours searching for God's will, through prayer and through His

Word. The answer seemed not to come. There were arguments pro and con in our thinking which would make a "yes" or "no" seem logical. From a personal standpoint the affirmative seemed the probable winner.

After seeking without the answer becoming apparent, we found in our reading the words, "For it will be given you in that very hour what to say." And with that assurance from God's Word we were able to sleep without tossing.

Not until a letter was in our typewriter the next day after office hours did the answer come. The answer seemed to come through the finger tips as the words were typed, but we know the answer came from God.

Not at any time have regretted the decision, for once made in the light of God's will it was settled. Unwise decisions are those made with immediate desires and needs paramount in our thinking.

Looking backward we can see God's Plan in the unfolding of a life, which began with barely a spark, but which was saved for a purpose. Years passed before normal physical strength was attained, and preparation for His service spiritually and educationally took more years. There were years of service (for experience's sake) that were not easy. But the discipline of those years helped to prepare for enlarged opportunities which the Lord sent our way.

Shadows have sometimes hung low, but the Light of God's love has been over all. A consciousness of His Presence as we yield to the leadings of the Holy Spirit will make us stronger Christians. Do not feel that God calls only for special service. He does that, but how much more should we in our homes and places of business seek day by day His will. Every Christian is a missionary, one sent from the Lord. Those who are not missionary have said "No" to the Lord.

Take your problems of the every day to Him, and you too will find "It will be given you in that very hour what to say."—E. D.

—BR—

"The Buddy Plan" In A New Setting

Recently W. R. Roberts, Secretary of the Brotherhood Department, placed in our hands a copy of a report which is available and will be distributed for use during the Associational season.

Included in the report are suggestions and plans for the movement that is under way looking toward the organization of 150 new Brotherhoods during 1947.

The plan is for each Brotherhood in the state to assume the responsibility of organizing and nurturing a new Brotherhood. Several Brotherhoods in the state have already followed the suggestions of Secretary Roberts.

Each Brotherhood of the state will be a "Buddy" to another Brotherhood. (Editor's note: Have you heard of the Buddy Plan of the Baptist Record? Do you wonder why we like Mr. Roberts' plan?)

The Brotherhood Department, though comparatively new, is going forward with great strides. The Mississippi Baptist Brotherhood News is another new idea and the idea has taken form with the first issue already off the press.

Our congratulations to Secretary Roberts and the Brotherhood Department.—E. D.

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Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—
Editor.

An Editor Speaks

In the Daily Press of Clarksdale, Miss., in a front page editorial, J. B. Snider prints a forthright discussion of conditions of his own fair Delta section, Coahoma county, under the title, LAW AND ORDER IN COAHOMA COUNTY. When business men and Editors of the secular press come out with such plain statements, people everywhere should give heed. Mr. Snider, who, by the way, was formerly Lieutenant Governor of Mississippi, offers to print free of charge, statements by local candidates as to how they stand on the question of law and order for Coahoma county. Having been a candidate himself, he sees nothing unfair in asking men who will be supported by the taxpayers to tell how they stand on this matter. We believe he is correct. Crime is one of the most expensive items in today's living costs. Economically, people would do well to stamp out the places that breed crime. As Christians we are distressed by the spiritual tragedies above all. Below we reprint some of the Delta Journalist's straight-from-the-shoulder remarks:

LAW AND ORDER IN COAHOMA COUNTY

(By J. B. Snider)

It is our information that conditions are rapidly going from bad to worse in Coahoma county. We are told almost every day of incidents that occur indicating a general letting down in law enforcement.

If the majority of the public want lawlessness and the evils that grow from it, there is nothing anyone can do about it. There is a disposition on the part of some to assume that

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a "wide open town" means better business. That is not true and has never been true.

Check with your small stores and you will find that where towns "are wide open" working people frequently are unable to pay for their groceries and drygoods and merchants have to cut off credit and absorb losses. Here in Clarksdale in the past ten years we know of at least one man who committed suicide as the result of becoming involved through gambling losses. Such a condition leaves a trail of heart aches and misery and contributes nothing to the welfare of the community.

A lady who came to our office recently said she dreaded to drive by a "notorious joint" between Clarksdale and Bobo because of the presence of so many drunken people around it.

Another lady called us Saturday and wanted us to print the story of the conviction of a negro, Nobles Gillespie, who was given 30 days for drunken driving. In his drunken stupor he wrecked two cars, did fifteen hundred dollars of damage, seriously, if not fatally, injured one person and endangered the lives of several others. All from the too abundant supply and easy accessibility of whiskey.

We are told that another place operating on the edge of the city is the hang-out for both whites and negroes alike, and that there whiskey is sold openly and without respect to person. That gambling is operating openly here is not denied. We recall on a former occasion, when conditions were about as they are now, several murders were committed, and as a consequence the aroused citizenship demanded and got the town and county closed up. We are inclined to think that is about to happen again. But why should we have to have a murder to stop it?

Is there anyone in Coahoma county who will openly stand up and say he is "opposed to law and order?" Certainly not. Laws are enacted for the protection of the home and the citizen, and the flagrant violation of those laws invariably lead to violence and murder. The women and children are usually the worst sufferers.

We think the Sheriff of this county should instantly and without delay close the places which we know, and everyone else knows, are operating openly, brazenly, in flagrant violation of all laws and to the great hurt of this community.

This rising tide of lawlessness in the state is being met in many places by Citizens Committees who are taking an active part in local campaigns. There are many more people in Coahoma county who want law and order and decency than there are those who profit from the existing conditions. The good citizen is inert until a murder shocks the community into action.

We repeat there is no point in waiting for such a tragedy. The Sheriff should close these places today. In the event they are not closed, it is the duty of the District Attorney to see that they are closed. He can secure an injunction and padlock every one of these places within twenty-four hours.

It is the old story of "give an inch and they take a mile." If you compromise to let the professional law violator get by with little things to keep a portion of the population happy, he immediately takes over and

Joseph W. Oliver Becomes Associational Missionary For Two Counties



REV. JOSEPH W. OLIVER

Rev. Joseph W. Oliver began his work on July first as Associational missionary for Yalobusha and Panola Counties. His address for the present is Courtland.

The Rev. Oliver was reared at Duck Hill, was graduated from Mississippi Southern, Hattiesburg, and taught in the schools of the state for six years. During these years he was pastor of Mars Hill Church, Forrest County.

A 1945 graduate of Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, Rev. Oliver served a ministry of four years among Texas churches.

Rev. and Mrs. Oliver have a son and two daughters. We are glad to have a native son come back home to serve.

CHURCH REORGANIZES YOUTH ACTIVITIES TO MEET 'COMPETITION'

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.—(RNS)—In an effort to meet "outside competition," First Presbyterian church here is reorganizing activities for high school-age and college-age young people.

Instead of going to Sunday School, all young people beyond the eighth grade will attend the adult worship service and will have a more concentrated service in the evening.

"The old type program just doesn't appeal," according to the pastor who directs the youth fellowship program.

Beginning next fall the young people will have a discussion group, talk or movie, followed by a candle-light supper and group games or square dancing. A free period, in which young people may play records, sing, play ping pong, pool, shuffleboard or other games, will close the evening.

During the summer the church is having afternoon picnics and vespers.

TOKYO (RNS)—Dr. Toyohiko Kagawa, Japanese Christian leader, was re-elected president of the Japan Federation of Cooperative Unions at a general meeting of the federation here.

seeks to become lord and master of all he surveys. There is not room in this community for the operation of the type of places now in operation. We will not tolerate gang bosses. Mr. Sheriff The Daily Press is calling on you to close these places up—NOW!



BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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BILL JONES

Bill Jones, of Millsaps College, is the new First Vice-President of the State BSU Council whose duty it is to help the corresponding officer of each local Council to enlist Baptist students in Sunday School, Training Union, and the other organizations of the college church, and to lead them to join the church in the college center. Pray for him.

Potpourri

There is no duty more underated than that of being cheerful.—Robert Louis Stevenson . . . An honest book's the noblest work of man.—Henry David Thoreau . . . Because of our Lord Jesus Christ we can be glad and grateful in every circumstance.—Carl Nowell to Miss. State BSU Council. . . The greatest slacker . . . is the man

who would live in the shadow of the church and enjoy all the social and civic privileges bestowed by the influence of that church but yet not help to promote that influence.—Louie Farmer to Clarke College Chapel. . . Anyone who says that religion is an escape mechanism simply knows nothing of the stiff moral demands of the gospel.—Dr. W. B. Selah in Jackson Daily News. . . You cannot get white flour out of a coal sack, nor perfection out of human nature.—Charles H. Spurgeon. . . Prayer is the prelude to every transfiguration.—I. J. Van Ness. . . BSU pins and keys are now available at our Baptist Book Store. . . Dr. P. I. Lipsey was a great man as Christ counts greatness. . . After waiting almost two months on a textbook, I have at last started work on a correspondence course in Old Testament from Southwestern. First lesson was on Hebrew writing and language—how early peoples wrote, cuneiform writing, the invention of the alphabet, the development of the Hebrew language, and the value of archaeology to Biblical criticism. Most interesting! . . . Anita Easom, reporter for E. Central Jr., BSU says 58 attended Noon Day there recently, and 65 attended a recent party. . . Mrs. McCall's "State Missions in Panorama" is certainly interesting, attractive, and should prove to be helpful in promoting the whole program of Miss. Baptists. . . Miss BSUs appreciate the interest in our work manifest by Dr. J. D. Ray, recently retired. . . Greatly enjoyed the privilege of supplying again at Raymond for Brother Wallace. . .

Anglican Church Appoints Movie Liaison Officer

LONDON (RNS)—Appointment of the Rev. G. L. Wheeler as official liaison officer between the Film Commission of the Church of England and the movie industry was announced here by the Commission.

Mr. Wheeler, editor of Contemporary Cinema, a journal seeking to promote cooperation between the church and the film industry, has been authorized to act as official advisor to producers and directors in all matters concerning the church in the production of movies.

PROTESTANTS SET UP VIENNA FEEDING PROGRAM

VIENNA—(RNS)—Protestant relief workers here have inaugurated a three-months' project to provide daily meals to 5,000 children between the ages of six and eighteen. The meals will be distributed in eleven Vienna soup kitchens and eighteen in provincial centers.

The project was made possible by food supplies from American Lutheran churches which were shipped to Vienna through the World Council of Churches in Geneva.

Help All Causes of Christ Through the Co-operative Program!

Charles W. Horner says:

"EVERY Baptist supporting with his money EVERY effort being made to preach the Gospel to EVERY creature, that is the Co-operative Program. I believe God approves of this plan for financing our work; therefore, I wholeheartedly believe in it and shall support it—financially."

Our 1947 GOAL—\$1,000,000, through the Co-operative Program from Mississippi Baptists!

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"IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE"



Evangeline Booth said, "Drink has drained more blood, hung more crepe, sold more homes, plunged more people into bankruptcy, armed more villains, slain more children, snapped more wedding rings, defiled more innocents, blinded more eyes, twisted more limbs, dethroned more reason, wrecked more manhood, dishonored more womanhood, broken more hearts, blasted more lives, driven more to suicide and dug more graves than any other poisoned scourge that ever swept its death-dealing waves across the world."

The person who votes to legalize liquor becomes a party to all the tragedy and crime caused by the stuff. It is reported that there were 139,000

casualties on our highways in 1946. Many of these were victims of John Barley Corn. The blood of its victims will be on the hands of all who vote to legalize the stuff or aid and abet it in any way.

In the light of the baneful, blighting, blasting effects of beverage alcohol, the only reasonable thing to do is to outlaw it and swat it accordingly. We should vote for men who will take their stand against this public enemy number one and refuse to be influenced by the filthy lucre of the liquor crowd. Let us not vote blindly and thus by criminal negligence be responsible for slackening the liquor laws. Gather the facts about the candidates and pray a long time before casting your suffrage on August 5.

Dedication Held For Pastor's Home

Second Avenue Church, Laurel, reports a very happy occasion on July first. Since several thousand dollars had been spent in renewing and remodeling the pastor's home, Pastor J. H. Street and his family decided to hold open house for the two-fold purpose of having the members and friends of the church to visit them, and to enable the people to see the improvements made upon the home. Soon the idea was advanced that a service of dedication for the renewed pastor's home would be in order; and this was heartily accepted by the church. Also, Miss Julia Martin, of Meridian, the new educational secretary for the church, was to begin her duties about the same time as that

planned for the "open house."

The result was that from 4:00 to 9:30 in the evening on July first, over 250 people from the church and community visited the home. The event served for open house, for a special dedication service, and for a reception for Miss Martin.

Dr. L. G. Gates, pastor-emeritus of the First Baptist Church, Laurel, made the dedicatory address. Dr. Bryan Simmons, Ellisville, led the prayer of dedication.

J. E. Formby, who is now superintendent of the New Orleans Baptist Seminary Press, and has had about 25 years experience, went to New Orleans from Picayune where he began in the printing business with J. R. Furr, a deacon in First Church, Picayune. Mr. Formby was also a member of the First Baptist Church.

Mississippi Calendar Of Prayer

- Aug. 4—Dr. Richard Trott, Blue Mountain College faculty; Louis Dollarhide, Mississippi College faculty.
- Aug. 5—W. Jacobs, Trustee, Mississippi Baptist Hospital; Miss Mildred Stone, Jones County, B.T.U. Director.
- Aug. 6—Mrs. Joe Gayle, LeFlore County Associational Music Director; Alex Taylor, Trustee, Clarke Memorial College.
- Aug. 7—W. B. Kenna, Trustee, Mississippi Woman's College; D. R. Boone, Panola County B.T.U. Director.
- Aug. 8—Dr. N. W. Cox, Lauderdale County Convention Board member; Rev. W. C. Howard, Pastor's Advisory Committee, District 3, Brotherhood.
- Aug. 9—Dr. Arch Stacey, Trustee, Blue Mountain College; Junior G. A. Camp, Aug. 4-9.
- Aug. 10—M. E. Leake, Trustee, Baptist Orphanage; John D. Davis, Vice-President, District 2, Brotherhood.

IN MEMORY

In loving Memory of our Dear Husband and Father; Curtis Bennett, died July 25, 1946.

Deep in our hearts lies a picture
More precious than silver or gold
The picture of our darling loved one
Whose memories will never grow old.
In your lonely grave you're sleeping
Far from hearts that loved you best
But your soul is in His keeping
In His heavenly home of rest.
Sleep on, oh kind and loving heart
Now freed from care and pain;
And when Jesus leads the way
We'll meet in heaven, again.

Sadly missed by Wife and Children—

Twenty-Five Years Ago

By Rev. R. A. Eddleman, Clinton

Brother C. E. Emerson of Hernando writes that their church has elected Brother Hugh Foster as Superintendent of the Sunday School for the 28th year and that he gets better all of the time. The work of the church is moving on fine under the pastorate of W. F. Roth.

Pastor G. W. Riley of Griffith Memorial reports a fine day on Sunday, June 4, at which time Charley Neal was ordained to the full work of the ministry and twenty new members, 15 of them by baptism, were received into the church. The church has had two fine young and promising preachers in Clark Memorial College during the past year, Charley Neal and Hammon Riggins.

Pastor A. C. King writes that they had a great day at Lyman Sunday, nine being received into the church.

Meetings are in progress at this writing at Sardis and Fernwood. Pastor Trotter is being assisted by Dr. W. E. Farr, and Pastor Campbell by Dr. W. R. Cooper.

The Port Gibson Church gives a good report of the work under the wise leadership of Pastor Morris. They have recently organized an Intermediate B. Y. P. U. resulting from a visit and a week's study course led by Secretary Wilds.

On May the 8th the church at Picayune under the able leadership of Pastor O. P. Estes organized a Senior B. Y. P. U.

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Bay St. Louis Breaks Ground For Building



The foundation has been laid for the erection on its lot of the Chapel purchased by the Bay St. Louis First Baptist church, and work for the main structure is underway. The purchase of the chapel from Camp Van Dorn was consummated in March of this year and the contract for demolishing, moving and re-erect-Farnsworth Construction Company in May.

A very impressive groundbreaking was held on June 4, under the spreading oaks which have stood on the lot for more than 50 years.

Rev. John T. Dearing, pastor, opened the service with appropriate

scripture and prayer. Dr. Thomas Benton Sellers, chairman of the building committee, and Miss May H. Edwards, a member of the church for a longer period of time than any member present, turned the first shovel of dirt.

Rev. W. S. Allen, pastor Pass Christian Baptist church, and formerly pastor of the Bay St. Louis church for 15 years, said this occasion was the realization of a dream.

The church's lot, situated in the first block of Main street, was a gift from one of the members. Another has given some recreation room equipment and a former member has offered heaters for the Sunday School rooms, a gas range for the kitchen and a water heater.

At a joint meeting of the deacons, apprentice deacons, and the Brotherhood, a recommendation was made to the church that the present church building be demolished and the material be used in the building of the Sunday School wing. The recommendation was unanimously adopted at the church business meeting later.

The Sunday School plant and church combined will be composed of an auditorium with a seating capacity of 250, a balcony, 11 Sunday School rooms, a Baptistery, a kitchen, a banquet hall and a recreation center. The exterior will be brick veneer.

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who worked for passage of the legislation.

Roman Catholics and Jews also favored American participation in the group, which will function through the United Nations.

Besides providing for U.S. participation in the IRO, the legislation authorizes a \$73,500,000 contribution toward the care of Europe's 900,000 displaced persons in the next 12 months. America will contribute on a month-to-month basis to the IRO Preparatory Commission, which will now administer the displaced persons camps until the IRO is organized.

The United States will carry 45.75 per cent—or \$69,110,000—of IRO's operating budget, and 39.89 per cent—or \$1,915,000—of its administrative costs. A nine-member executive committee will direct IRO activities.

Religious Census

Reaction among religious lobby-

ists was mixed over enactment of Truman signed after it had been passed unanimously by the House of Representatives and the Senate.

This was the legislation which exempts all religious organizations and church groups from furnishing membership statistics to the U. S. Bureau of the Census if there is anything in the by-laws, doctrines, or on the consciences of members which prohibits giving out this information.

Christian Scientists, Mormons, and a few other denominations objected to furnishing membership statistics, as formerly was required by federal law, and Congress obligingly acted.

The Federal Council of Churches, while not opposing the new legislation in hearings on Capitol Hill authoritatively was said to have considered such action. The Federal Council has worked for years to make a religious census possible, but this legislation makes any completely-accurate census difficult.

Woman's Missionary Union

President—Mrs. Whma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson

HOSEA

Chapter VI

- (A) A note of hope in closing of Chapter V leads to the opening phrase—"Come, let us return unto the Lord." Some were repentant, some continue stubbornly in their sins.
- (B) Their resolution to return to God. Verses 1-3.
- (C) Insincerity of some who professed repentance—but were not—their punishment. Verses 4, 5.
- (D) God's expectation: "I desired mercy, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than burnt offering." Verse 6. The violation of their covenant—treated as if it were a covenant with man rather than God. Low thoughts of God were at the bottom of it all. The priests were admonished, they were wicked in their dealings. Verses 7-11.

Chapter VII

- (A) A general charge of crime and misdemeanor is brought against Israel—in that they kept God's favor from smiling upon them by their falsehood and theft. God knew and remembered their wickedness. Verses 1, 2.
- (B) Particular accusation: (1) The court; of the king, princes, and judges, who were pleased with the wickedness and profaneness of their subjects. Subjects pleased with sins of their king and princes and judges. None called on God. Verses 3-7. (2) Of the coun-

try: they too were wicked, no better than their leaders. Ephraim has mingled herself among the people, conformed, and lost character among them. Learned and lived the ways of the ungodly, verses 9-11. Contempt of God, and hypocrisy in their pretense to return to Him. Verses 15, 16.

Chapter VIII

An effort to get Israel to repent, and a declaring of their sins continues in this chapter. The prophet is to set the trumpet to his mouth, call an assembly and proclaim to them that God is at war with this rebellious nation.

- (A) The charges against Israel are: (1) They have transgressed my covenant and my law (Verse 1), they will no longer be God's people.
- (B) Threatenings of wrath and ruin for their sins (Verse 3). Assyrians attack foretold (Verse 1-3).
- (C) The Israelites kept up a profession of religion, multiplied altars—verses 2, 13, 14.
- (D) They are disappointed in idol worship and alliances with heathen nations. Verses 6, 8, 10.
- (E) Home strength fails them. Verse 14.
- (F) Sacrifices not accepted, but their sins shall be remembered. Verse 13.

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM AND MUSIC

Mississippi Baptists have launched the largest financial program in the history of the state. We have our minds and hearts set on this great goal.

One way to reach this worthy goal is more people giving a tithe of their incomes through the church.

If Mississippi Baptists tithe, we have no fear of a Million Dollar goal. If the goal is reached, the Music Department and all of our work will have the money necessary to meet our needs.

RIDGECREST MUSIC WEEK

August 21-29 is the time for Music Week at Ridgecrest. Last year the largest crowd in history of this week was in attendance. Registrations are coming in in large numbers for this year. Every Music Director and those interested in the Music in their church should attend Music Week at Ridgecrest. Send your registration fee of \$1.00 to Mr. Robert Guy, Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, North Carolina. State your name, address and the type of accommodations desired. Do it now.

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TRUTH VS DOGMA is by J. C. Macaulay, pastor, Wheaton Bible Church. The chapters were first given as messages to the congregations of Mr. Macaulay's church. Many of the things presented should be of interest to both Protestants and Catholics. The author's purpose is to show the differences in the faiths of Protestants and Catholics, and he himself says he has tried to present the Roman position fairly. Order from The Moody Press, 153 Institute Place, Chicago 10, Illinois or from the Baptist Book Store. The price is \$1.25.



Department of Church Music

LUTHER A. HARRISON, Secretary

GRADED CHOIRS

Many of our churches have graded Sunday Schools, graded Training Unions, and graded Woman's Missionary Unions but have only one or two choirs.

Only during the last few years have we heard much about a program of music for our churches.

Mr. C. A. Holcomb, Church Music Director of Florida, has given us a book on graded choirs. The title is "Programs and Materials for Graded Choirs". This book is available from this Department for 50c. Write us at Box 530 and begin your graded choir work with your fall music program.

MANY-SUMMER MUSIC SCHOOLS

Churches are still writing us requesting schools of music using our summer field workers. These schools will be held through August only. Our teachers will not be available after that date. Let us have your request as soon as possible if you want a school.

REVIVALS AND MUSIC

Revival time is music time in most of our churches. Many churches experience a revival in their church music as well as in the other phases of church life. Why not plan for a revival of music along with the revival. Plan for several choirs. Use all of your age groups.

This week Macedonia Church in Lincoln county had seven choirs.

• Southern Baptist Foreign Missions •

M. THERON RANKIN,
Executive Secretary

E. C. ROUTH,
Editor, THE COMMISSION

In the July meeting of the Foreign Mission Board three new missionaries were appointed: Miss Lucy Ernelle Brooks of Greenville, North Carolina, and Alexandria, Virginia, a nurse for Nigeria; Rev. James Alcorn Foster of Jackson, Mississippi, and Springfield, Tennessee, an evangelist for China; and Miss Jo Withauer of Delray Beach and Jacksonville, Florida, office secretary for the Baptist Publishing House at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Miss Cornelia Barker left New York City June 26, and Rev. and Mrs. Vance O. Vernon left Miami June 19 for Recife, Brazil. Rev. Tucker N. Callaway and Miss Alma Graves sailed from Hawaii July 18 for Japan.

Recent arrivals are: Rev. and Mrs. W. H. H. Congdon of Iwo, Nigeria, now at Route 4, Box 15, Fort Collins, Colorado; Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Crouch of Corriente, Brazil, now at Cost, Texas.

A cable received July 10 from Erhardt Swenson, Buenos Aires, announced the death of Robert F. Elder, missionary emeritus, who had served many years in Argentina. He and Mrs. Elder were retired at the end of 1939 and continued to live in Argentina.

Miss Ruby Daniel, missionary to Hungary and Nigeria, and Dr. Bela Udvarnoki, president of the Baptist Theological Seminary at Budapest, were married July 5 at Oxford, North Carolina. Her resignation as missionary became effective with her marriage. They will be in the States for six months.

Miss Cornelia Barker and Dr. Harold B. Canning were married July 4 at Lagos, Nigeria. They were stationed at Eku.

Treasurer E. P. Buxton reported a total of \$264,846 received by the Board for the month of June, compared with \$226,997 for June last year. A total of \$3,266,318 was received for the first six months this year, an increase of \$375,637 over last year.

Mr. Charles R. Gage, who has been promotional director of the Baptist relief center in New Orleans since January, has been elected director of promotion by the Relief Committee of the Foreign Mission Board. He will continue his residence in New Orleans, also his relationship with the New Orleans center.

The Foreign Mission Board commends the plan of the Southern Baptist Convention in establishing and promoting the Southern Baptist Foundation, which has been established for missionary, educational, and benevolent purposes and not for profit. Its purpose is to encourage the making of gifts, donations, and benefactions by deed, by gift, annu-

ity, contracts, or otherwise, to the interests and institutions fostered by the Southern Baptist Convention. It is safeguarded in every way possible and will make available to men and women whom God has blessed with material resources the opportunity to strengthen our missionary, educational, and Christian work. The Texas Baptist Foundation, which was the pioneer in this field, reported at the Texas convention last November total assets of approximately \$12,000,000.

Dr. J. D. Franks, for a number of years beloved pastor of the great First Church, Columbus, Mississippi, is now busy in Europe in connection with the Church World Service. His particular field will be Poland. He writes: "The hungry are being fed, the naked clothed, the sick and those who were formerly imprisoned in concentration camps are being ministered to, the millions of war-orphaned, widows and maimed ones are being cared for, and the Gospel is being preached to all. Eternity alone will be able to measure the far-reaching kingdom results which are being accomplished. It is a beautiful, tender, Christlike ministry." He appeals to Southern Baptists to keep a stream of money and supplies flowing into this great rehabilitation throughout Europe are now worse off than at any time since the beginning of the war. In some of the countries next winter may be the worst yet.

The Baptist Messenger of Oklahoma is publishing a series of letters from Secretary Andrew Potter, who, with Mrs. Potter, is making a trip around the world. He spent some time in China and pays a high tribute to our missionaries serving in that field of ever-enlarging opportunity. In the home of Dr. H. H. McBed that belonged to Dr. Matthew T. Yates. "Dr. Yates, nearly a century ago, climbed to the top of the mountain and looking at the more than 60 villages teeming with human souls without Christ knelt in prayer asking God to give him this rich heaven valley for Christ and the swayed in part as Christian centers dot that valley from Shanghai to beyond Nanking, the capital. This valley is the most productive section in all China. It is also the most densely populated section in the world per square mile."

A few days ago we received a letter from Missionary C. A. Kennedy who, with Mrs. Kennedy, went out to the Niger Delta from Oklahoma. Although he has been in Nigeria less than a year he is witnessing scores of conversions, many hearing the Gospel for the first time. "Southern Baptists could use one hundred missionaries in this area of Africa alone. There has never been an hour when the challenge of the unevangelized tribes of Africa has been as great as it is now."

HOME MISSIONS IN THE SUMMER

BY JOHN CAYLOR

Summertime is the occasion for new emphasis in home missions. The 722 regular missionaries and the 285 special summer student workers are reaping a great harvest in evangelism during summer months.

Many of the missionaries are presenting the cause of missions in the homeland in various summer camps and assemblies throughout the Southland. Hundreds of Vacation Bible Schools are in session in mission centers. Evangelistic meetings are in progress. It is truly a time of soul-winning on the mission field.

ATTENDING BAPTIST WORLD CONGRESS

Many of the state and domicile members of the Home Mission Board are in attendance upon the sessions of the Baptist World Congress in Copenhagen. Three of the secretaries are in Europe. Dr. Jacob Gartenhaus is spending two months overseas visiting in Palestine and attending a conference of Christian Jews in Europe, as well as the Baptist World Alliance meeting.

Dr. Alfred Carpenter, as a guest of Secretary of War Patterson, is making a tour of occupied zones in Europe.

Dr. John Caylor, editorial secretary, is representing the Board at the meeting of the Alliance.

NEW MISSIONARIES APPOINTED

In order to keep the standard of missionary service up to par, it is necessary that the Board make new appointments to fill the places made vacant for various reasons and to meet commitments in the promotion of home missions. During the past three months a number of new missionaries have been designated.

Rev. A. V. Alvarado becomes pastor of the Mexican Baptist Church of Oklahoma City.

The Home Mission Board cooperates with the Mexican Baptist Convention of Texas in the employment of Rev. Pablo Flores as evangelist in the central region of the Mexican convention.

Miss Elizabeth Taylor, who has been on leave to do further study, is actively

engaged during the summer months in Good Will Center work in New Orleans.

Rev. and Mrs. Jose M. Sanchez have been elected to promote Sunday School and Training Union work in Cuba.

Rev. and Mrs. Daniel Gomez have been chosen to serve at Anthony, New Mexico, and near-by mission stations.

Rev. and Mrs. Isidoro Garza have been re-appointed to serve the Mexican church at Stamford, Texas.

Rev. and Mrs. Isidore Garcia are to serve as missionaries in Williams County Association, Texas. Rev. Samuel Alonso has been elected as missionary at Edcouch, Texas; and Rev. and Mrs. M. E. O'Neill at Bonaldo and Nacogdoches, Texas.

Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Leech have been named missionaries to the Indians in Phoenix, Arizona.

Miss Amelia Rappold, Miss Mary Hines, and Miss Marian Sanders have been designated as Good Will Center workers in New Orleans.

In the Negro work of the Home Mission Board, Rev. Harold Roland has been named superintendent of the mission center at Charleston, South Carolina; and Rev. James R. Holloway in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Rev. and Mrs. E. R. Hammock have been designated to work among the Mexicans at Brownfield, Texas.

Rev. and Mrs. Leo M. Roebuck have been named missionaries among the Indians on the Bernalillo field, New Mexico.

Rev. and Mrs. Ewell Payne have been appointed to Indian work and are to move from Camp Hill, Alabama, to the Indian Center in Oklahoma City. Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Georgia.

—BR—

Dr. C. Eugene Colton has left his pastorate at North Temple church in Dallas, Tex., to head the Bible department of Wayland College at Plainview, according to Dr. Bill Marshall, recently elected president of the school. Dr. Colton has been connected with Southwestern Seminary as a teacher, also.

Slayden Church recently installed new pulpit furniture—Boyd Watkins.

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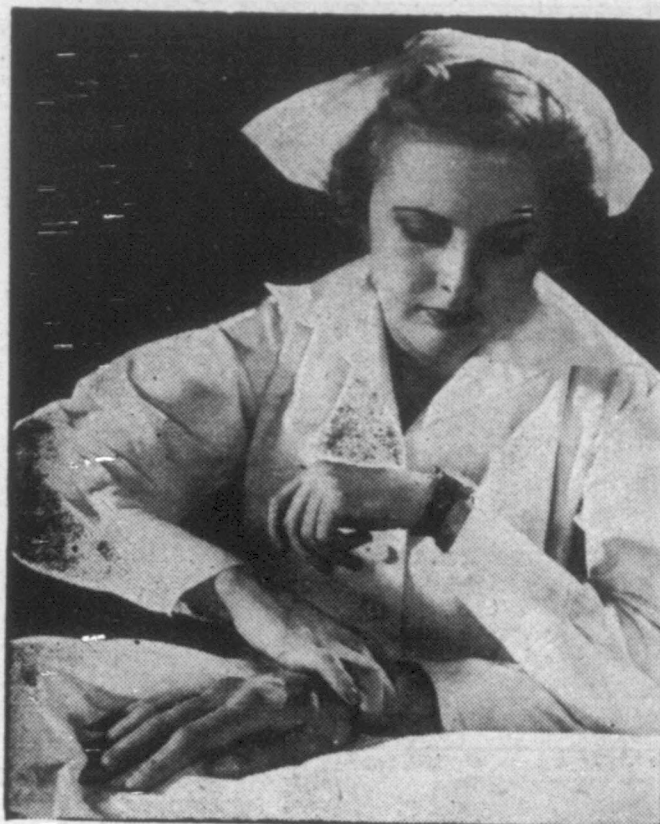
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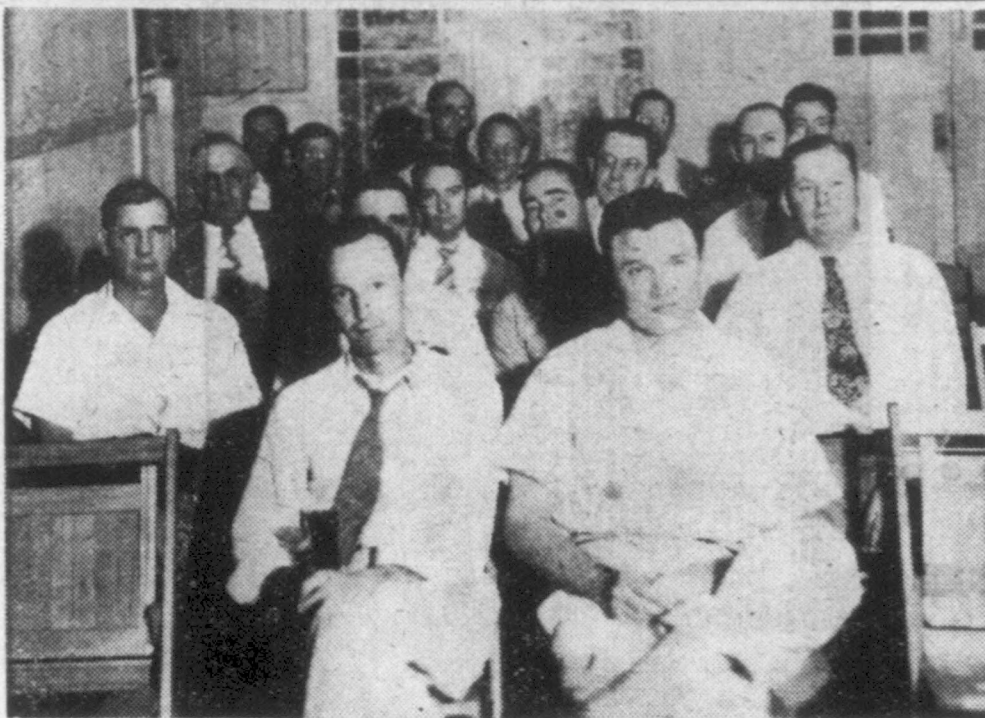
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BOWMAR AVENUE MEN BUSY

The Brotherhood Secretary accompanied by Brother J. B. Parker, our institutional visitor, had a very pleasant visit on July 15 with the Bowmar Avenue Brotherhood, Brother Homer Roberson, pastor. Surely, there is not a more consecrated group of men in our midst, and certainly not a more active group. They conducted a revival last week in a needy section of Vicksburg. From this Brotherhood have come four preacher-boys since it was organized. There is probably not another record like that to be found.

and was greatly impressed by his preaching ability.

Preaching Is Sound

Since then I have had him in three meetings in my churches and I am persuaded that he is one of the greatest preachers with whom I am acquainted.

Brother Benton preaches a type of gospel that is very simple, but very powerful. His background, his convictions, his type of preaching his inclinations equip him wonderfully for the work that he is now doing.

Mr. Benton has a loud speaker to use in his car and in the tent. He has a good tent and chairs. He needs one or two more things in the way of equipment to be more effective in his work.

Some Needs That Are Pertinent

Rev. Benton needs more than just a car to haul the tent from place to place. The urgent need at present is a house trailer in which to live while in some communities. With the trailer parked by the tent Evangelist Benton would have a good place to stay every night of his meetings, and people seeking personal help will know where to find him.

How You May Help

Some reader of this article may know how to find a trailer and give it to the Convention Board for use of the State Evangelist. I hope it may happen that way.

My prayer is that the Lord may use Brother Benton increasingly in winning multitudes to Christ.

—BR—

The revival meeting at New Life Church, Tallahatchie county, will be held August 17-22. Rev. Charles Everett is pastor and Rev. Charles Melton of Bunsville Church will be the evangelist.



AUBERT J. WILDS

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AUBERT J. WILDS.

—BR—

A Fellow-Worker Praises And Presents Plea For Work Done By Evangelist B. H. Benton

By A. A. Kitchings,
Clinton, Miss.

In too many instances we leave unsaid the good things we think about folks, but say the other things when we do not think well of them.

For several years I have heard about Brother B. H. Benton, but never knew him till last November when our State Baptist Convention met in Jackson. There I heard him speak

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BOOKS FOR YOUR LIBRARY

Good books like good friends are always ready to help you, so you will want to add good books to your library just as you want to add good friends to your list. The following list of recent books off the Broadman Press are suggested—Burning Hearts, by Dr. E. D. Head, President of Southwestern Seminary. Sermons from Paul, by the late Dr. George Truett. That the World May Know, Dr. W. R. White, pastor, First Baptist Church, Austin, Texas. My World Too, Dr. Porter Routh, Secretary of Survey, Statistics, and Information, Southern Baptist Convention. Lamp Lighters Across the Sea, Mrs. Margaret T. Applegrath. This is a Junior book in the 1947 Foreign Mission Graded Series. The Faith We Share, by Miss Robbie Trent, Elementary Editor, Sunday School Board. This is a Sunday School Study Course Book. The Cradle Roll Department of the Sunday School, Elizabeth White Von Hagen. This is also a Sunday School Study Course Book.

14 New Unions for June divided as follows: 2 Story Hours, 3 Junior Unions, 3 Intermediate Unions, 3 Young People's Unions, 3 Adult Unions. These were in three churches, two set up the five unit organization, the other a four unit organization.

1,346 Study Course Awards were issued in June, 101 Administration, 425 Adult, 236 Young People, 282 Intermediate, 302 Junior. Has your union had a study course this year? Nothing like it for building morale, stimulating interest, and stabilizing young Christians.

44 Unions qualified for their Standard the first quarter this year. Only four other states had more than that. Unions from 13 associations were represented in these 44 standard reports, only three other states were as well represented. Of the standard units we had 1 Association, 3 Training Unions, 8 Story Hours, 11 Juniors, 9 Intermediates, 6 Young People and 6 Adults.

87 Young People Attend Rally: There were 87 Young People from the churches of Clarksdale and Lyon who attended a Young People's Rally at the Lyon Church Tuesday, June 24th. The

Young People of the Lyon Church gave a part of the program, the play—The Challenge of the Cross. It was a most impressive service and it was arranged for this same group of young people to give the play at the evening service of the Lyon Church June 29th. This is a wonderfully helpful play, suggesting that the Cross is one that must be gladly taken and carried, and happy is the man who thus considers it. Congratulations, Lyon Young People.

Lebanon scores again. The Lebanon Associational Training Union had its last meeting in the air conditioned auditorium of the Main St. Baptist Church, Hattiesburg. There were 423 persons counted from 26 churches. Twelve pastors and 21 Training Union directors were present. A splendid program built around the theme, The Book of Books, was enjoyed. Mr. McInnis, the Associational Director, announced the time of the leaving of the bus that carried 35 to the third Training Union Ridgecrest week. In this group was Harry Hales, a Junior boy whom the association was sending to the assembly.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(1) Juniors, (2) all others:
August 3 (1), Mark 7:14-23, (2) Matt. 9:1-9.
August 4 (1), Mark 7:24-30, (2) Luke 5:27; Matt. 10:1-8.
August 5 (1), Mark 7:31-37, (2) Col. 4.
August 6 (1), Mark 8:1-10, (2) Acts 16:8-13.
August 7 (1), Mark 8:11-21, (2) Acts 21:8-18.
August 8 (1), Mark 8:22-30, (2) Acts 28:16-30.
August 9, Sunday School Lessons.

What better time than AUGUST to help a neighbor church get a Training Union started. And there are hundreds of churches just waiting for someone to make the offer to help. It can be arranged through the pastor of the church, or through some interested member of the church. Just say to them, "We are looking for something to do. How about one of our unions coming out and giving a demonstration program?" That will, no doubt, result in an opportunity to organize a union. Give it a trial.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

July 27, 1947

	SS	BTU
Jackson, Calvary	1,072	229
Jackson, Calvary including Stone St. Mission	1,109	262
Jackson, Northside	257	90
Jackson, Van Winkle	262	164
Jackson, Southside	124	77
Crystal Springs	510	94
New Albany, First	529	236
New Albany including Northside Mission	554	---
July 20, 1947		
Providence, Tippah Co.	57	---
Hebron, Yazoo Co.	57	53
Lucedale	248	83
Siloam, Simpson Co.	76	46
Oak Grove, Calhoun Co.	52	37
Hattiesburg, Main St.	689	251
Soso	121	72
East McComb	408	243
Batesville	191	49
Brookhaven	692	130
Chalybeate	42	35
O'Tucklofa, Yalobusha Co.	88	---

West Point	352	92
Ellison Ridge, Winston County	125	95
Cross Roads, Webster Co.	80	---
Tocowa	33	49
Kosciusko, First	675	117
Houlka	74	39
Rocky Creek, George Co.	220	177
Glenfield, Union Co.	60	31
Wellman, Lincoln Co.	105	99
Tupelo, Calvary	354	100
Rocky Springs, Yazoo Co.	25	---
Tupelo, Harrisburg	288	108
Friendship, Pike Co.	188	132
Gulfport, First	435	111
Paynes, Tallahatchie Co.	150	67
Brooklyn	103	54
Baldwyn	312	---
Pascagoula, First	555	109
Wiggins	145	---
Centerville	116	28
Ocean Springs	137	42
Center, Union Co.	230	80
Booneville	252	103

—BR—
Rev. B. H. Benton, State Evangelist, will be in a revival meeting at Mt. Zion Church, Smith County, the week of August 3-8.

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell
Lesson for August, Third

DOMESTIC RELATIONS: PARENT AND CHILD. Ruth: Proverbs 1:8, 9:2; 3:3; 4:1-6; 6:20-23; 10:1; 15:5; 17:1; 19:18; 22:6; 23:22-26.

I. Let us look carefully at this text now, for the alarming increase in crime among the young people of our country demands that we acquaint ourselves with the facts. Discover, if you can, the remedy for the condition, and do the needful thing. Let us note that in no other religious literature of the world, in the sacred books of no other people, is such prominence given to childhood as is given in the Bible. Let us note also the testimony of the ages—all the ages—that those who have given heed to what the Bible says as to the course to be pursued with children, have solved the problems of childhood as no other people. Long before the Christian era, the Jews set the world as an enviable example of a boyhood trained to live lives of positive good.

II. Old Testament Example of love Between Husband and Wife. Why bring that up? What has the love of husband for wife or of wife for husband to do with the correct rearing of children? Answer: Just about 98%. A home in which there is bickering and inharmony, turmoil and strife and contention between husband and wife, is the hotbed in which grow noxious weeds of crime and lawlessness and the attitudes which condition future broken homes. So read the entrancing story of Ruth.

III. The Importance of Parental Instruction. The Bible everywhere presumes the parents to be the natural teachers of their children in the deep-down things that make character. I said the Bible presumes the parents to be so. As a matter of lamentable fact, they are not always of the best grade of moral instructors. And the reason for that is not far to seek. The father who is not a good instructor for his son, is not himself a good man. I live in the midst of a community where also live a number of fathers who ignore the churches or slander them, and in no such case is the father's son growing into a law-abiding citizen. There is no such creature under the sun as an impious woman whose instruction will grow her daughter into a virtuous woman.

If there were any such creature as the man or woman, the husband and wife, who read their Bibles at home but do not attend church, as you have heard say, "I can read my Bible and pray as well at home as I can in church" (and the person who says that is the prize, the first-prize, liar of his or her and generation), you would have a living contradiction of the word of Almighty God. The order from above in that book is that men and women are to practice the assembling of themselves for the study of the word of God and for the practice of the Christian graces that make men and women into sons and daughters of God. And the Bible presumes that those who do this are fit to bring children into the world and to rear them in the nurture of the Lord. I believe that investigation would show that a vast majority of the poor children who are born into god-

BAPTISTS SPONSOR SUMMER SERVICE PROJECTS

Summer service projects, in which young people and students work for six weeks in mission centers, are being sponsored by six groups affiliated with the Northern Baptist Convention as "an experiment in putting Christianity into practice."

Those participating in the projects will go to mission centers in Sacramento, Calif., Hulett, Wyoming, Hammond, Ind., Rio Grande, O., Harlem, N. Y., and Weirton, W. Va. The young people will assist in Baptist community services and live co-operatively.

The projects are sponsored by the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, the American Baptist Home Mission Society, the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, the Baptist Youth Fellowship and the Baptist Board of Education.

less homes are thereby damned into a world all out of joint and are doomed to stumble on a downward way into the hell of those who hate God.

No pair of people are fit to bear children into God's world until first they have made such a peace with God as qualifies them to nurture those children right. "Son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother". What instruction of what father? What law of what mother? Within a half-mile of where I sit to write these words, live sons who by following the instruction of father would become crap-shooters who would draw no color-line as to fellow participants in the game, and drunkards whose highest aim would be just to get drunk and stay drunk in a drunkard's dream-world. Within the same radius live daughters who, following mother's example, would arrive at still more malodorous accomplishments. (Read the passages from God's word assigned, and profit by the reading.

IV. The Source of Parental Joy. Children who do well. There are a few who do well in spite of bad homes. I suppose this fact goes to establish the truth of the love of God so great that it leaves nobody out and the freedom of the human soul so sovereign that it can soar out of a pit of blackness to lay hold on the star of hope in God. And in every instance of a child who does well in a fine way there is, openly or secretly a flower of joy in the parental heart on account of the child that does well. (Proverbs 17:6).

V. The Inescapable Obligation. "Chasten thy son" Proverbs 19:18). Not necessarily, "Flog thy son". If you have strength enough to get along and control your son without it, you need not flog him. But discipline him into strength by what means soever. "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." (Proverbs 22:6). Tell the child what to do and show him how. Some time ago I saw a fine young lady down in Jackson put a pretty little dog through a series of tricks that gave evidence of his having had more attention given to his education, his training, his discipline, than many unfortunate children. I honor the little lady for her patience with the dog, and only wish I could hand-pick her 100 children from my community to profit by her instruction. In after years they would honor her disciplinary endeavors.

Never Too Old



Shown above is Mrs. Nannie Stevens and her great-grandchild, Sharon Bird, daughter of Mrs. Stevens, grand daughter, Mrs. Ollie McCarter Bird. The picture was made on her eightieth birthday.

BY MARGIE P. MCCALL

"You can't teach an old dog new tricks." This slogan has been handed down through the years by those who did not believe adults could learn after a certain age. Religiously speaking, perhaps Satan started it. We don't know. Anyway, Satan has used it to discourage many an old saint who longed to take part in things at the church in which they had no opportunity to enter as they were growing up.

Now comes attractive Mrs. Nannie Stevens of Utica, Miss., who is 80 years of age, and proves the falseness of the slogan. Mrs. Stevens is a member of the Utica Baptist church. For many years she felt she "could not do things since she had not learned when she was young." Finally, she joined the Baptist Adult Union in her church, and after she was 75 years old she learned to take parts on the programs, to lead in prayer and serve in various ways. She has even visited other B. A. U. groups and given her testimony as to what it has meant to her!

Mrs. Stevens is a great-grandmother, and hopes to live long enough to see her great-grandchild early taking training to serve the Lord which she learned so late in life.

Mrs. Stevens was before her marriage, Miss Nannie Simmons, daughter of George W. and Sarah Cooper Simmons, pioneer residents of Copiah county. She is a sister of D. C. Simmons of Utica and Jackson, and the mother of Mrs. J. H. McCarter of 923 Langley Avenue in Jackson. Both Mr. Simmons and the McCarters are members at Jackson First Baptist church.

Rev. Owen Williams is Mrs. Stevens' beloved pastor.

Someone has remarked that the slogan, "You can't teach old dogs new tricks," fails to take into consideration that adults are not dogs!

Mrs. Stevens declares "one is never too old to learn to speak a good word for the Lord." She also states that the Daily Bible Reading courses have helped her form regular and systematic habits, since she joined the B. A. U. Before, her readings had not been systematic. Such testimonies cause all Christians to rejoice and to take courage as they seek to develop the talents they have for serving God.

On a recent Saturday night she was a visitor at the Jackson Youth-For-Christ as interested and alert as any "teen ager" in the crowd!

—BR—

Charles W. Horner, State BSU Secretary, spoke on "Being An Example" at the Noon Day Prayer at East Central Junior College on Thursday, July 10, where 58 were present. Sixty-five BSUs enjoyed an hour of fun and fellowship following a meeting in the church. Mr. Horner challenged the group to be workers for Christ. Songs were sung, games were played, and refreshments were served—Anita Easom, Reporter.

Blue Mountain, Miss., July 7.—The August number of World Comrades contains an article by Frances Maurine Irwin, alumna of Blue Mountain College, entitled "Two Stories From a Two-Story City in Brazil." In the same number is a biographical article by Louise S. Boyd with Ruth Garcia, Blue Mountain graduate, as the subject, entitled "Back Home Again."

Slayden: Miss Louise HMI of Louisville served as Principal of our Vacation Bible School. Local helpers were Mrs. R. O. Bankston, Mrs. Simpson Hurdle, Mrs. Lois Mackey, Mrs. Eugene Mackey and Mrs. Jack Skelton. The enrollment reached 33 and the attendance average was 30. An offering of \$12.75 was given for Home Missions.

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SPARKS & SPLINTERS

The following information appeared in The Baptist Bulletin Service July 20: "Last summer 207 students from 57 colleges and 5 seminaries assisted the regularly appointed missionaries of the Home Mission Board in their mission tasks, engaging in such activities in every state in the Southern Baptist Convention. Howard Payne College furnished more of these students than any other college, having 11 workers in the field. Blue Mountain College and Baylor University each had 10 workers.

The revival at Longview Church, Oktibeha County, will begin August 3 and continue through August 8, with services daily at 10:30 and 7:30. Rev. R. Grady Snowden of First Church, DeLand, Florida, will be the evangelist and Robert L. Cooper, Aberdeen, will conduct the music.—C. E. Snowden, pastor.

The Sunday School at Durant has had an average attendance of 221 for July. Rev. C. M. Day is pastor and E. L. Carr is superintendent of the Sunday School.

Cross Roads Church, Neshoba County, held their revival July 13-18. There were 11 additions, 10 of them for baptism. Rev. Ivor Clark assisted Pastor C. E. Snowden in the meeting.

Pastor D. W. Moulder of Beulah Church, Polkville, writes that their recent revival with Rev. Herman Milner of Van Winkle Church, Jackson, as evangelist, and Rev. John Gilbert of Soso as song leader, resulted in 17 additions, 12 of whom were candidates for baptism. There were also many rededications.

The following have been recent visitors to the office of the Baptist Record: Miss Carolyn Cloud, Vicksburg; Rev. Joe Stovall, Clinton; Dr. W. R. Cooper, Tyertown; Dr. I. E. Rouse, Hattiesburg; Rev. John L. Gilbert, Soso; Miss Mary Blance Cloud, Smithdale; Rev. B. L. McKee, Gallman; Mrs. W. T. Weatherall, Jackson; Rev. Clyde P. Jones, Clinton; Rev. Richard A. Miller, Clinton; Rev. J. D. Wallace, Patsy Poore, June Giles, Betty Grantham, Jack B. Williams, Johnny Wallace, all from Sharon Church, Laurel; Ruth Ann Cox, Essex, Missouri; Margaret Sharpe, Tupelo; Catherine Carter, Ann Loveless, Eula Mee Morris, Booneville; Jane Evans, Rebecca Tune, Katherine Maxey and Mrs. H. R. Carter, Tupelo.

Dr. Ray Summers, Professor of New Testament, Southwestern Seminary, is supplying for Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth, July 27 through August 31 in the absence of the pastor, H. Guy Moore, who is in Europe attending the Baptist World Alliance. Dr. Summers is to attend Northwestern University, Chicago, Illinois, for a six-week summer term. He will fly to and from Chicago for the Broadway services.

In a list printed in the Baptist Record recently, the following item occurred, "Cleveland—Chinese Mission," the reference was obviously to the Chinese Mission, as stated. First Baptist Church, Cleveland, has given several hundred dollars during the first six months of this year.

Dr. L. B. Cobb, pastor of First Church, Kingsport, Tennessee, and Mrs. Cobb were among those who sailed on July 17 aboard the Queen Elizabeth to attend the Baptist World Alliance and to tour other European points.

The revival meeting at Poplar Springs Church, Copiah County, will begin August 3 and continue through August 9. The pastor, Rev. Sammy Crawford, will do the preaching. Friends are invited.—J. H. Purvis.

Mississippi friends will be glad to know the Weller Avenue Baptists in Baton Rouge, La., have given Pastor and Mrs. W. A. Trotman a warm welcome. They found the pantry overflowing and genuine interest in the work. The Trotmans say they still miss their friends at Long Beach, where he was formerly pastor.

Eternal Standards For Right Living Is Aim of S. S. Lessons

(Continued from page 1.)

to parents, the training of children, abstinence from strong drink, non-

Brooklyn Baptist Church had the best Vacation Bible School in its history, with Miss Nora Mae Yates as principal, and a splendid faculty. The enrollment was 130 with an average of 117. The W. M. S. had charge of the refreshments each day. Otis Jones, Pastor.

The Vacation Bible School of the Agricola Church was the best in history, breaking all records. Intermediate girls made pillowcases for the Old Ladies' Home. Pastor G. L. Taylor and his workers rejoice over the gains.

Rev. Solie I. Smith of Stonewall will be the guest evangelist in the revival at the Agricola Church July 28 through August 3. This is a return engagement for the visiting preacher.

In the revival just held at Terry's Creek Church there were 10 professions of faith under the excellent preaching of Rev. Montie Davis of East Moss Point Church. John McElveen led the singing. In a service to honor the old people, there were 16 present above the age of 60 years. During the week there were 3,842 chapters of the Bible read by the people. Bible reading is always stressed by Montie Davis. The pastor of the church is Rev. G. E. Wells.

Calvary Church in Warren county held a most successful revival with Rev. Joe Royalty of Clinton as guest preacher. There were 14 additions, 13 being for baptism. The church plans a Vacation Bible School in August. Funds for purchasing a bus continue to come in from W. M. U. groups and others.

At Beulah Church in Simpson county, there were 11 additions, four coming by baptism. Rev. G. O. Parker of Magee was the guest speaker. The largest crowds in the history of the church attended. King Sullivan led the singing. Rev. D. W. Moulder is pastor.

The Vacation Bible School at Schlater had 74 enrolled with average attendance of 59, running July 7-12. A fine faculty worked at the task with success. Plans point toward a school lasting two weeks next year. Rev. J. E. Gore is pastor of the church.

The 1947-48 officers of the Spanish Club of Blue Mountain College are as follows: President, Neil Huff, Memphis, Tenn.; Vice-President, Ardelle Bryan, Eads, Tenn.; Secretary, Willa Dean Featherstone, Sardis; Treasurer, Merna Jean Hocum, Memphis, Tenn.; Program Chairman, Frances Davis, Houston, and Montie Barringer, Marks; Yearbook Chairman, Ann Overstreet, Jackson; Pianist, Patricia Williams, Philadelphia; Chorister, Margaret Payne, Senatobia.

Rev. U. L. Higgins, son-in-law of Rev. I. F. Metts, will do the preaching at Chester, Choctaw county, August 17-22. Rev. Mr. Metts is the pastor.

Rev. U. L. Higgins of Ashland, Alabama, will assist Rev. I. F. Metts in a meeting at Mt. Moriah Church, Choctaw County, August 3-8.

Rev. Montie A. Davis of East Moss Point did the preaching in a revival at Brooklyn. There were 30 additions to the church. Of these, 24 came on profession of faith. There were 3917 chapters read in the Bible during the meeting. We had a great spiritual revival.

Dr. William Potter, former Carthage pastor, is in Texas for speaking engagements and evangelistic meetings. On July he spoke at Baylor University to the Ministerial Alliance and began preaching in a revival meeting at Marlin, Texas, July 25. Following the Marlin meeting, Dr. Potter will be in the Satin Baptist Church for a series of evangelistic messages, August 6-17. Sunday afternoon, July 27, he spoke to an associational rally of men in McClanahan Baptist Church of the Falls River Association. Dr. Potter completes his Texas schedule at Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, August 19-21.

esty, truthfulness, work, earning and spending money, harmonious relationships with people, and the enduring goal of life.

If the leadership in our churches—pastors, deacons, Sunday School superintendents, teachers, and others—will grasp the opportunity offered by these lessons, we can do something to meet the moral crisis confronting the present generation. We can help people beset on every side by the wiles of the devil to have moral insight, conviction, and courage. We can help to stem the floods of evil by barriers of truth and the inner strength of character.

The need for action is urgent. The time is now. Our churches can utilize this unit of Sunday School lessons to make an impact upon the life of our nation. Let pastors call their Sunday School officers and teachers together promptly and launch a crusade for right living through the aggressive teaching of the Word of God.

Where there is no character, the people perish.

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Japan's Christian Premier Breaks With Tradition

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his assumption of office to the Imperial Ancestors.

The man who has thus broken with tradition is Socialist Tetsu Katayama, the first Christian ever to become premier in Japan.

Katayama omitted Ise from his travel itinerary on a recent trip to Osaka. At that time a spokesman for the premier made this explanation:

"Till the end of the war it was an unwritten law that a new Prime Minister should visit the Grand Shrine. Now that state and religion have been separated, it is a matter of taste."

Katayama's appointment as premier is being hailed in Japanese Christian circles as giving added prestige to the Christian movement as a whole.

Born in 1887, Katayama was baptized at the age of 14 in his home church in Wakayama, near Osaka. As a student in Tokyo he was influenced by two outstanding Christian leaders, the Rev. Masahisa Uemura, a Presbyterian, and Kanzo shows he was active in YMCA circles while attending the Tokyo Imperial University.

Prior to his election as premier recently, Katayama was questioned about his beliefs.

"Though I am a Christian," he said, "I am not a leader of Christian circles. I am interested in the democratization of Japan in accordance with Socialism. Of course, we can find many principles of Christianity which are of great service for that democratization. However, these principles are not confined to Christianity. Buddhism also contains many of the same principles. Therefore, the important thing is practice."

Just prior to his appointment, Katayama asserted his belief that "democratic government must be permeated by a spirit of Christian love and humanism."

"Hitherto, government in Japan created the impression that it was apt to be motivated by falsehood and intrigue," he explained. I believe, however, that government in

GOING PLACES

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Our Text: 1 Timothy 4:13c and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that they profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

SOSO IS NUMBER 871

Pastor John L. Gilbert and the people of Soso Church are doing things. A few days ago the young pastor, who recently went to this new charge, came into the office of the Baptist Record bringing a check to pay for 85 names for the month of August. Soso is now number 871 on the Every Family Plan of the Baptist Record.

The church had been receiving the Record for several weeks under a promotion plan of the Record. Neither pastor nor people were willing to be without the Record after they had become accustomed to receiving it.

The Rev. Gilbert is a son of Rev. Martin J. Gilbert of Meridian, and prior to his acceptance of the Soso Church was associate pastor of Van Winkle Church, Jackson.

Record readers in Jones County are now listed as follows: Beulah 80, Beacon Laurel 117, Bethel 14, Centerville 36, County Line 50, Ellisville 128, Estabuchie 3, Harmony 45, Fairfield 63, Laurel First 542, Second Avenue Laurel 276, Lowrey Creek 23, Moselle 77, Mt. Oral 43, Pine Grove 53, Sand Hill 25, Sharon 44, Calvary 15, Friendship 1, Soso 85, Summerland 40, Tucker Crossing 30, West Laurel 166, Pleasant Home 1, South Laurel 42, Bethlehem 52, Sandersville 45, New Hope 25, Indian Springs 28, Fellowship 18, Hebron 41, Glade 32.

DUFFEE, NEWTON, IS IN

Duffee Church, Newton county, is now a member of the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record. L. I. Blackwell sent in a list of 60 names. The pastor is Rev. Allen Johnson of Newton.

Baptist Record readers in Newton county are now listed as follows: SULPHUR SPRINGS 38, BETHEL 31, BEULAH 34, Center Ridge 5, CHUNKY 33, CLARKE VENABLE 183, Good Hope 6, HICKORY 80, LAWRENCE 19, LIBERTY 45, Little Rock 1, Mt. Nebo 2, Midway 17, MT. PLEASANT 16, Mt. Vernon 50, NEWTON 295, Oakland 7, Pinkney 37, CROSS ROADS 24, Providence 26, Roberts 1, ROCK BRANCH 14, Rock Hill 16, STRATTON 18, UNION FIRST 76, DUFFEE 60, NEW IRELAND 19, HOPEWELL 11, New Fellowship 20, PLEASANT HILL 36, New Prospect 19.

the future must be guided by a Christian spirit of morality. A government founded on moral ethics and based on humanism has been my long-cherished faith, and at the same time it was the guiding spirit of the Social Democratic party which I lead."

Most Socialists are apparently proud that Katayama is a Christian. According to Miss Tsuneko Akamatsu, member of the Upper House and chief of the Women's section of the party, Socialists boast of Katayama's Christian faith.

"Being a Christian premier," she added, "he puts special emphasis on the spiritual life of the nation, a phase that was disregarded by statesmen in the past."